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but we could not proceed with the repair since the tank was full. It is even now full and repair can only be done after the water level goes down."

SRI K. ARANGANATHAN :—" பத்து ஆண்டுகளாக அந்த ஏரிக்கு ரிப்பேர் செய்யவேண்டும் என்று கிராமத்தார்களிடமிருந்து மக்ஜர் வந்திருந்தும் ஏன் அதை அரசாங்கம் கவனிக்கவில்லை ? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—" I have already said that the bund is intact. It does not require repair."

Grants to the Voorhees College, Vellore.

* 330 *Q.*—SRI S. DEIVASIGAMANY (on behalf of Sri V. K. Kannan): Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether any grants are paid to the Voorhees College, Vellore, North Arcot, and if so, what amount?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Yes, Sir. The amount of grant paid for 1952–53 was as follows:—

		RS.
(1) Teaching	... ...	18,228
(2) Equipment	... ...	10,000 "

Gruel centres in Chingleput district.

* 331 *Q.*—SRI S. DEIVASIGAMANY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state the number of gruel centres which are now in existence in the district of Chingleput and in what places they are working?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—" No gruel centre is now functioning in the Chingleput district."

SRI S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—" When there are gruel centres opened in Madras City, may I know why there are no gruel centres in Chingleput which is in the neighbourhood of Madras City? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—" Agricultural conditions have improved in Chingleput district. As far as the Madras City is concerned, gruel centres are necessitated more by the influx of population from districts like Chingleput also."

SRI S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—" Are we to understand that there are no unemployed persons who are starving now in Chingleput? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—" There may be some unemployed persons. But as to the question of starvation, I will not take the proposition from the hon. Member."